Establishment of village industry under REGP in Andhra Pradesh

1330. SHRIMATI N.P. DURGA: Will the Minister of AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether any village industry units have been established under the Rural Employment Generation Programme in Andhra Pradesh duirng the Tenth Five Year Plan by the KVIC;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the targets set for generating additional employment opportunities through setting up of village industry units in Andhra Pradesh in the Tenth Five Year Plan?

THE MINISTER OF AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES (SHRI MAHAVIR PRASAD): (a) and (b) The Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC) does not itself set up village industry (VI) units. VI units are set up under the Rural Employment Generation Programme (REGP) by eligible individual entrepreneurs in various parts of the country, including Andhra Pradesh. For this purpose, margin money assistance is provided to the entrepreneurs by the Government through the KVIC and loans are made available by Banks. 6,350 VI units have been established in Andhra Pradesh under the REGP during the first four years of the Tenth Five Year Plan. The year-wise details are given below:

Year	Number of Units
2002-03	1,818
2003-04	1,097
2004-05	1,988
2005-06 (upto January, 2006)	1,447
TOTAL :	6,350

(c) The Tenth Five Year Plan target for generating additional employment opportunities in Andhra Pradesh through setting up of VI units is 2,06,000 (approximately).

Applications under PMRY

1331. SHRIMATI VANGA GEETHA: Will the Minister of AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) the number of applications received from Andhra Pradesh under the Pradhan Mantri Rozgar Yojana during the last two years as on date;